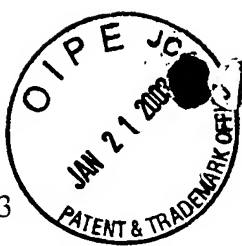


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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith the following additional information for consideration by the examiner.

U.S. Patent No. 6,358,334 which is a division of the application which matured into previously cited U.S. Patent No. 6,045,633.

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0088513, published July 11, 2002, which is a continuation of the application which matured into the above-cited U.S. Patent No. 6,358,334.

Copies of the above-noted documents are enclosed together with a duly completed Form PTO-1449. The Examiner is accordingly requested to consider each of these documents, and to make them of record in this application by initialing in the appropriate spaces on the Form-1449. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant notes that while this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months from the filing date, Applicant has not received an action on the merits from

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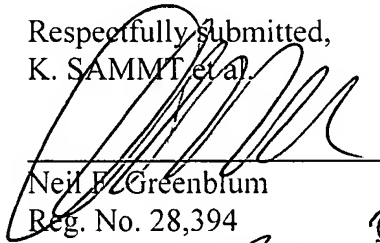
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the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3).

However, if an action on the merits has been mailed prior to the filing date of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, Applicants hereby authorize that any fees necessary to ensure consideration of this disclosure statement be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Any comments or questions concerning this application can be directed to the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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